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(b) if so, the duties attached to the post together with scale of pay prescribed; and

(c) whether this post is to be placed outside the purview of the Madras Public Service Commission?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The scale of pay prescribed for the post is Rs. 300—40/2—500.

The Scrutiny Officer will be in charge of the scrutiny of newspapers in English and other languages published in the State, and the important papers published outside the State, the preparation of daily round-up of news and views for circulation to Ministers, and Secretaries to Government, Registration of books and the Reference Section of the Department.

(c) Yes, Sir.

SRI A. A. RASHEED: Has any officer since been appointed?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: I think the proposals are still pending.

Supply of Oil engine pumpsets on hire

MR. SPEAKER: As the hon. Member Sri V. Sankaran is absent, question No. 1044 and the answer will be printed in the Official Proceedings.

* 1044 Q.—SRI V. SANKARAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state how many acres of land have been benefited in the Madurai district in the Second Five-Year Plan period up till now by the scheme for the supply of oil engine pumpsets on hire by the Agriculture Engineering Department?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM: Two thousand four hundred and forty-eight acres were benefited.

Second Five-Year Plan

* 1045 Q.—SRI T. S. RAMASWAMY PILLAI (on behalf of SRI K. SATTANATHA KARAYALAR): Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether any revision has been made recently regarding the State's contribution to the resources for the Second Five-Year Plan;

(b) if so, what is the original estimate; and

(c) what is the revised estimate?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM: (a) No revision as such has been made in regard to the target of contribution of resources by the State Government to the Plan. But in actual practice, the contribution made by the State to the Plan is expected to be slightly different from the original estimate.

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(b) The original estimate of the State's contribution to the Plan was Rs. 79 crores for the Plan of Rs. 152 crores.

(c) At present, it is estimated that we may be contributing Rs. 70 crores, the balance being met by Central assistance.

Community Development Scheme.

*1046 Q.—Sri K. Ramachandran: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state the places where the new Blocks have been introduced under the Community Development Scheme in 1958–59 so far?

The Hon. Sri C. Subramaniam: A statement [a] is placed on the table of the House.

Sri A. A. Rasheed: May I know whether the Government hope to introduce new Blocks in all the uncovered areas by 1961?

The Hon. Sri C. Subramaniam: Sir, I think this was fully discussed under the Demand—Community Development Projects, National Extension Services and Local Development Works. The present idea is to complete the programme by 1963.

Graduate Hindi Pandits

*1049 Q.—Sri T. T. Daniel: Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the pay of the Graduate Hindi Pandits in the State; and

(b) the pay of this class of teachers in the Kanyakumari district?

The Hon. Sri C. Subramaniam: (a) & (b) A statement [b] is placed on the table of the House.

Overseas scholarships

*1050 Q.—Sri T. S. Ramaswamy Pillai (on behalf of Sri K. Sattanatha Karayalar): Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) the number of overseas scholarships offered to our State students in 1956, 1957 and 1958; and

(b) the number of scholarships offered to (i) the State Government employees; and (ii) the members of the teaching profession?

The Hon. Sri C. Subramaniam: (a) & (b) Offers of scholarships received by the Government of India, are made on an all-India basis and not Statewise.

2. No student as such was sent abroad during the years 1956, 1957 and 1958 but 65 State Government employees were sent abroad for higher studies during this period out of whom 27 were from the teaching profession.

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[a] Printed as Appendix IV on page 817-818 infra.

[b] Printed as Appendix V on page 818 infra.